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* 1. Cong. Rhodes (D., Pa.) has introduced H.R. 697, his perennial "Little Wagner Act" which would make it mandatory for Federal officials to bargain collectively with representatives of employee organizations. This bill carries an exemption from its provisions for CIA and the FBI.

* 2. Mr. Hyde, of the legislative staff of the Bureau of the Budget, informs me that in the Bureau's opinion legislation to establish a Joint Congressional Committee on the Budget will not be favorably considered by the House this year. The House Appropriations Committee is known to oppose such legislation. In addition, Mr. Hyde feels that if such legislation were to pass the Congress it would be vetoed by the President.

3. Mr. Kirkpatrick has approved Legislative Counsel addressing the Advertising Post of the American Legion in New York City on 25 April.

4. Senators Aiken and Flanders of Vermont have introduced S. 258, which provides that Irvin Scranton Ross, an ECA employee at the time of his death in Vienna in 1948, shall be held and considered to have been killed while serving within the scope of his duties as an employee of the United States. (See file in this case).

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